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Quick Facts

In July, Rep. Devin Nunes wrote to 1,890 constituents in response to their inquiries.

Year to date, Rep. Nunes has responded to 8,705 constituents via the U.S. Mail.

Furthermore, since Rep. Nunes was elected to Congress he has responded to 20,880 constituent letters via the U.S. Mail.

Nunes meets with Trans. Sec. Mineta about Hwy 99

Rep. Devin Nunes met recently with Transportation Secretary Norm Mineta, along with Reps. George Radanovich and Gary Miller, to discuss Highway 99 obtaining an interstate status and getting funds for much-needed improvements.

“As a fellow Californian, Secretary Mineta said he’s well aware of the dire condition Highway 99 is in and said he supports seeing it become an interstate,” Rep. Nunes said. “Transforming the heavily-used highway will be a long-term process but one that must happen in order to maintain our economy, improve our air, and

increase safety on the road.”

Earlier this year, the congressman managed, in a House transportation bill, to designate the highway as a national corridor, making it eligible for \$3.3 billion in special federal funding over six years.

Rep. Nunes said the secretary is waiting to receive a letter from Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger about the state government’s support of an interstate designation. With such support, Rep. Nunes said he and his colleagues in Congress could leverage additional federal funding for improvements.

“I’m encouraged that this



Transportation Secretary
Norm Mineta

process continues to move forward,” Rep. Nunes said.

The congressman has made a priority of improving the highway from Bakersfield to Sacramento, much of which is only two lanes in either direction.

House passes Nunes water measure

In a major step toward meeting the Central Valley’s urban and agricultural water needs, the House of Representatives passed a bill co-sponsored by Rep. Devin Nunes that will make it easier to construct new water projects in California.

“I’m happy we made some progress on getting more water storage for the Valley, but there’s still a lot of work that needs to be done before we actually see the benefit,” Rep. Nunes said. “Water is more than just an issue for agriculture. Virtually every city in Fresno and Tulare counties is facing

a shortage of water. As our population continues to grow, water will be in shorter and shorter supply.”

Language inserted in the bill by the Congressman would allow for automatic authorization of the construction of a new dam above Millerton Lake along the San Joaquin River if a federal study already underway shows that the project is feasible. The dam would be able to capture as much as 1.2 million acre feet of water in wet years and protect cities downstream from periodic, devastating floods.

“This project would help

meet a variety of needs,” Rep. Nunes said. “It would boost our groundwater table for communities, irrigation for agriculture, provide additional hydro-electric possibilities and provide a consistent flow of water to reestablish the natural habitat along the San Joaquin River.”

The language for the water measure was inserted by Rep. Nunes into the Water Supply, Reliability, and Environmental Improvement Act (H.R. 2828), which funds CalFed—the state and federal partnership that manages water projects in California.